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**Wine Press Northwest magazine has named Coiled Wines in Garden City as its Idaho Winery of the Year and Hat Ranch Winery as its Idaho Winery to Watch**

Profiles on each winery appear in the Spring 2014 issue.

Moya Shatz Dolsby, Executive Director of the Idaho Wine Commission, declared, “We are excited to see the growth of the Idaho wine industry and these wineries are perfect examples of the continued success.”

Wine Press Northwest selects its regional wineries of the year based on wine competitions and blind tastings, visits, accolades and other considerations. A Winery of the Year must have completed at least five vintages, while a Winery to Watch must have been in business no more than five commercial vintages.

Past recipients of the Idaho awards by Wine Press Northwest are:

Winery of the Year —

Snake River Winery (2013)  
Cinder Wines (2012)  
Fraser Vineyards (2011)  
Coeur d'Alene Cellars (2010)  
Bitner Vineyards (2009)  
Indian Creek Winery (2008)  
Camas Prairie Winery (2007)  
Sawtooth Winery (2006)

Koenig Vineyards & Winery (2005)  
Hells Canyon Winery (2004)  
Pend d'Oreille Winery (2003)  
Ste. Chapelle Winery (2002)

Winery to Watch —

Vale Wine Co. (2013)  
Colter's Creek Vineyards & Winery (2012)  
3 Horse Ranch Vineyards (2011)  
Davis Creek Cellars (2010)  
Cinder Wines (2009)  
Williamson Vineyards (2008)  
Timberrock Winery (2007)  
Coeur d'Alene Winery (2006)  
Parma Ridge Vineyards (2005)  
The Winery at Eagle Knoll (2004)  
Snake River Winery (2003)  
Phantom Hill (2002).

Andy Perdue and Eric Degerman created Wine Press Northwest magazine in 1998 for the Tri-City Herald in Washington state. They began showcasing the Idaho wine industry in 2001 with a cover story. At that time, there were 16 wineries and 1,200 acres of vineyard in the state.

Last year, Perdue and Degerman launched their wine journalism business, but they continue to serve as regular contributors to Wine Press Northwest. They also partner with the Idaho Wine Commission each year on staging the Idaho Wine Competition.

"Andy and I — whether it be for The Seattle Times, Wine Press Northwest or GreatNorthwestWine.com — continue to enjoy sharing the success stories, the excitement and energy from these talented winemakers whom have decided to call Idaho and the Snake River Valley their home," Degerman said.

The Idaho Wine Commission's goal is to market and promote all Idaho wineries and growers.

There are over 50 wineries in Idaho with 1200 vineyard acres planted. The wine industry contributed \$73 million to Idaho's economy. Visit [www.idahowines.org](http://www.idahowines.org) for more information about wineries, vineyards, and events in Idaho. Phone: (208) 332-1538 Fax: (208) 334-2505 E-mail: [moya@idahowines.org](mailto:moya@idahowines.org).